UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

EDWIN JAMES BITTNER Plaintiff CIVIL ACTION NO. ٧. 04-12465-MLW

OPTOS INC., Defendant

PLAINTIFF'S CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 16

Pursuant to Local Rule 16.1(D) (3) Edwin James Bittner and his counsel affirm that they have conferred:

- 1. With a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course, and various alternative courses of the litigation; and
- 2. To consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution programs such as those outlined in Local Rule 16.4.

Respectfully submitted, **EDWIN JAMES BITTNER** By His Attorney,

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